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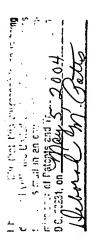
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99 the Applicant hereby submits:

- (a) a list of prior art referred to by the Applicant in the specification of the application and/or which has been cited in the Search Report issued by the French Patent Office (INPI) in respect of the corresponding French Application No. FR 03 00821;
- (b) a copy of this Search Report attached in order to inform the U.S. Examiner of the first opinion of the Examiner of the INPI, and those portions of the references found pertinent by the latter;
- (c) a copy of the references cited under (a) namely:
 - US 3,883,666 (in lieu of FR 2,263,710),



- US 3,984,574,
- US 4,035,572,
- US 4,041,179,
- US 4,241,090,
- US 4,582,707,
- US 5,603,977,
- US 5,945,143,
- US 6,017,566,
- US 6,184,213 (in lieu of EP 964,000),
- WO 96/20609,
- WO 99/39588,
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- WO 02/17730,
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- A Derwent English abstract XP002251937of JP 03
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